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1. The Chinese Communist troops will withdraw to the 38th Parallel to establish new defensive positions. A small Chinese unit (size not stated) is to remain with each North Korean battalion to fight a delaying action.
2. In mid-January each Chinese Communist unit was organizing special "Banza" charge squads from skilled troops of high morale. The selected men were given special training in North Korean camps (location undetermined) and each man was promoted two grades after the training was completed. A total of 70,000 troops, including North Koreans, are to receive this training and will be organized and sent to each front by the end of February.
3. North Korean officers prefer ROK Communists as section or company leaders because their experience in subversion and sabotage is valuable for warfare in the ROK.
4. In early January a rumor was circulating among North Korean government leaders that the Soviets will trust KIM Il-song in the event of a third world war, but they do not trust MAO Tse-tung because of his former cooperation with the Chinese Nationalists during World War II.

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